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SUBJ: ZAYYAT STATEMENT TO WEO GROUP

1. SUMMARY: EGYPTIAN FONMIN ZAYYAT ADDRESSED WEO GROUP
EARLY EVENING OCT. 18, DAY AFTER EBAN HAD STATED ISRAEL'S
CASE TO SAME GROUP (USUN 4007). ZAYYAT OUTLINED EGYPTIAN
CONDITIONS FOR PEACE AND GAVE ARAB VERSION OF EVENTS LEADING UP
TO PRESENT HOSTILITIES, WITH HEAVY EMPHASIS ON US
RESPONSIBILITY. PRESENTATION WAS NOT VINDICTIVE, BUT
STRAIGHTFORWARD AND EFFECTIVE IN ITS TONE OF APPARENT
SINCERITY. END SUMMARY.

2. ZAYYAT BEGAN BY REVIEWING ME SITUATION AS SEEN BY
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ARABS JUST PRIOR TO OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES. IN LATE

SEPTEMBER AND EARLY OCTOBER, MANY ARAB FONMINS VISITED WASHINGTON AFTER HEAVING SPOKEN BEFORE UN. NONE OF THEM SAW POSSIBILITY OF MOVEMENT IN ME, OR BELIEVED US POSITION HAD CHANGED.

3. BY THIS FALL AMERICAN POSITION WAS VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF ISRAEL. IT HAD PASSED THROUGH SEVERAL STAGES: FIRST US, IN 1967, STRONGLY SUPPORTED LA DRAFT RES ON ME, WHICH CALLED FOR ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL BEHIND JUNE 5, 1967 LINES, SECOND, IN FEBRUARY 1971 JARRING AIDE MEMOIRE WAS ADVANCED, WHICH REFLECTED POINTS ADVANCED BY SECRETARY ROGERS. IN FOUR POWER TALKS' DECLARATION AS WELL, US SUPPORTED JARRING AIDE MEMOIRE AND URGED ISRAEL TO COOPERATE IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION. THIRD STAGE WAS US REPETITION OF EBAN'S ASSERTION THAT JARRING MEMORANDUM HAD BECOME "AN IMPEDIMENT TO PEACE". AT THIS FINAL STAGE US INSISTED ON NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT ISRAELI COMMITMENT TO WITHDRAWAL, AND FINALLY IN JULY VETOED RES SUPPORTED BY REST OF SECURITY COUNCIL. IT WAS AT THIS POINT, ZAYYAT SAID, THAT EGYPT REALIZED IT COULD NOT HOPE FOR ASSISTANCE FROM US OR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

4. IN CONTRAST TO AMERICAN POLICY, ZAYYAT CONTINUED, EGYPTIAN POSITION HAD NOT CHANGED. ALTHOUGH EGYPT DID REJECT LA DRAFT BECAUSE IT CONTAINED OTHER UNACCEPTABLE ELEMENTS, SHE SUBSEQUENTLY ACCEPTED BASIC PRINCIPLES OF US POLICY AS SET FORTH IN JARRING MEMORANDUM. FINALLY, WHEN MEMORANDUM WAS NO LONGER ACCEPTABLE, EGYPT CAME TO COUNCIL THIS PAST SUMMER. THIS WAS EGYPT'S FINAL APPEAL TO WORLD COMMUNITY--"A CRY OF CONSCIENCE TO EVERY EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI CHILD WHO WAS GOING TO BE KILLED." EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEMBERS OFFERED A MESSAGE OF JOY AND HOPE, AN ALTERNATIVE TO EGYPT'S "CRAWLING ON ITS HANDS AND KNEES." THEN CAME US VETO, A DECISION WHICH REFLECTED ISRAEL'S DETERMINATION TO GAIN MILITARY SOLUTION. EGYPT'S ANSWER WAS THAT IT COULD NOT ACCEPT SUCH SETTLEMENT.

5. ZAYYAT RECAPITULATED FIVE PRINCIPLES FOR PEACE SETTLEMENT EARLIER SET FORTH BY SADAT. HE ADDED THAT ALL

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ARAB COUNTRIES ENGAGED IN PRESENT CONFLICT SHARED THESE PRINCIPLES. TO THIS, FONMINS OF ALGERIA, LEBANON, TUNISIA AND JORDAN, WHO HAD ASKED TO ATTEND MEETING, NODDED THEIR ASSENT. ZAYYAT SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO SADAT'S FIVE POINTS, EGYPT WAS READY TO BE BOUND BY ALL PAST UN RESES AS WELL AS ALL THOSE TO COME. HOWEVER, LANGUAGE OF RESES MUST BE CLEAR AND UNAMBIGUOUS.

6. ZAYYAT CONCLUDED BY SAYING EGYPT WANTED PEACE AND
INDEPENDENCE--PEACE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE SOCIAL JUSTICE
IN HER OWN COUNTRY, INDEPENDENCE IN ORDER TO
PARTICIPATE CONSTRUCTIVELY IN THE WORLD COMMUNITY.
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